

1 sales which may provide an opportunity to better
2 maximize bidder participation, ensure the highest re-
3 turn to the Federal taxpayers, minimize opportuni-
4 ties for fraud or collusion, and ensure the security
5 and integrity of the leasing process.

6 **SEC. 3023. GRAZING PERMITS AND LEASES.**

7 Section 402 of the Federal Land Policy and Manage-
8 ment Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1752) is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (c)—

10 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (1), (2),
11 and (3) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), re-
12 spectively;

13 (B) by striking “So long as” and inserting
14 the following:

15 “(1) RENEWAL OF EXPIRING OR TRANSFERRED
16 PERMIT OR LEASE.—During any period in which”;
17 and

18 (C) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(2) CONTINUATION OF TERMS UNDER NEW
20 PERMIT OR LEASE.—The terms and conditions in a
21 grazing permit or lease that has expired, or was ter-
22 minated due to a grazing preference transfer, shall
23 be continued under a new permit or lease until the
24 date on which the Secretary concerned completes
25 any environmental analysis and documentation for

1 the permit or lease required under the National En-
2 vironmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et
3 seq.) and other applicable laws.

4 “(3) COMPLETION OF PROCESSING.—As of the
5 date on which the Secretary concerned completes the
6 processing of a grazing permit or lease in accordance
7 with paragraph (2), the permit or lease may be can-
8 celed, suspended, or modified, in whole or in part.

9 “(4) ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS.—The Sec-
10 retary concerned shall seek to conduct environmental
11 reviews on an allotment or multiple allotment basis,
12 to the extent practicable, if the allotments share
13 similar ecological conditions, for purposes of compli-
14 ance with the National Environmental Policy Act of
15 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and other applicable
16 laws.”;

17 (2) by redesignating subsection (h) as sub-
18 section (j); and

19 (3) by inserting after subsection (g) the fol-
20 lowing:

21 “(h) NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT OF
22 1969.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The issuance of a grazing
24 permit or lease by the Secretary concerned may be
25 categorically excluded from the requirement to pre-

1 pare an environmental assessment or an environ-
2 mental impact statement under the National Envi-
3 ronmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et
4 seq.) if—

5 “(A) the issued permit or lease continues
6 the current grazing management of the allot-
7 ment; and

8 “(B) the Secretary concerned—

9 “(i) has assessed and evaluated the
10 grazing allotment associated with the lease
11 or permit; and

12 “(ii) based on the assessment and
13 evaluation under clause (i), has determined
14 that the allotment—

15 “(I) with respect to public land
16 administered by the Secretary of the
17 Interior—

18 “(aa) is meeting land health
19 standards; or

20 “(bb) is not meeting land
21 health standards due to factors
22 other than existing livestock
23 grazing; or

1 “(II) with respect to National
2 Forest System land administered by
3 the Secretary of Agriculture—

4 “(aa) is meeting objectives
5 in the applicable land and re-
6 source management plan; or

7 “(bb) is not meeting the ob-
8 jectives in the applicable land re-
9 source management plan due to
10 factors other than existing live-
11 stock grazing.

12 “(2) TRAILING AND CROSSING.—The trailing
13 and crossing of livestock across public land and Na-
14 tional Forest System land and the implementation of
15 trailing and crossing practices by the Secretary con-
16 cerned may be categorically excluded from the re-
17 quirement to prepare an environmental assessment
18 or an environmental impact statement under the Na-
19 tional Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.
20 4321 et seq.).

21 “(i) PRIORITY AND TIMING FOR COMPLETION OF EN-
22 VIRONMENTAL ANALYSES.—The Secretary concerned, in
23 the sole discretion of the Secretary concerned, shall deter-
24 mine the priority and timing for completing each required

1 environmental analysis with respect to a grazing allot-
2 ment, permit, or lease based on—

3 “(1) the environmental significance of the graz-
4 ing allotment, permit, or lease; and

5 “(2) the available funding for the environmental
6 analysis.”.

7 **SEC. 3024. CABIN USER AND TRANSFER FEES.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture (re-
9 ferred to in this section as the “Secretary”) shall establish
10 a fee in accordance with this section for the issuance of
11 a special use permit for the use and occupancy of National
12 Forest System land for recreational residence purposes.

13 (b) INTERIM FEE.—During the period beginning on
14 January 1, 2014, and ending on the last day of the cal-
15 endar year during which the current appraisal cycle is
16 completed under subsection (c), the Secretary shall assess
17 an interim annual fee for recreational residences on Na-
18 tional Forest System land that is an amount equal to the
19 lesser of—

20 (1) the fee determined under the Cabin User
21 Fee Fairness Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 6201 et seq.),
22 subject to the requirement that any increase over the
23 fee assessed during the previous year shall be limited
24 to not more than 25 percent; or

25 (2) \$5,600.